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# WHITE REFUSES TO QUAFF LOVE'S CUP OF HEMLOCK

Democratic Chairman Off To-day to Washington Ready to Fight Issue.

## READS TELEGRAM HERE

'No Reason for Calling Together National Committee,' He Asserts.

## DISCUSSES PERSONNEL

Certain Majority Will Not Make Effort to Block His Desires.

George White, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, will not drink the cup of hemlock handed him by George B. Love of Texas. He believes the signatures to the petition asking him to call a meeting of the committee for March 1 were obtained under the false impression that he was anxious to lay down his duties as head of the organization.

Although mild mannered and slow to wrath, Mr. White, who reached New York from his home in Marietta, Ohio, yesterday afternoon, will go on to Washington to-night with blood in his eye. He will demand to see the text of the telegram sent to each member of the committee in the effort to get his approval of a call for a meeting. He will also insist that it is his right to read the replies received, so he may have the fullest information as to the exact feelings of each member of the committee.

It was not until he reached the New York office of the committee that he received the telegraphed petition prepared by Mr. Love, whose anxiety to oust the campaign manager of Gov. Cox is generally credited as being in the interest of William G. McAdoo and his friends. He smiled when he read in the communication addressed to him: "We beg to wish for Mr. White many years of happiness and added usefulness upon the retirement which he announced shortly after November 3, when his private interests will make it necessary for him to seek."

"Do you think there is any reason for calling a meeting of the committee?" Mr. White was asked. "There seems to be no business to transact, except to elect a new chairman, and there is no vacancy."

"Will you resign from the chairmanship?" "I do not desire to resign at this time," came the calm response after another twinkle of the eyes. "I do not want to lay down my duties until I have cleaned up the work of last fall. We have a deficit and since election I have had to act as chairman and treasurer because of the illness of Wilbur W. March."

"Mr. Love seems to have made his argument for the meeting on the plea that I had to get back to my business. At election time I feared I would have to pay more attention to my business affairs, but they have slowed down to the point where there is nothing doing."

"I do not believe the rank and file of the party want a meeting of the National Committee," said Mr. White. "Probably some of the members thought it would be a good thing to have a meeting before the Harding administration takes hold in Washington so as to map out policies for our members of Congress. But the committee does not formulate policies—our Senators and Representatives do that."

The appointment of the Executive Committee by Mr. White a week ago was quite a shock to the anti-Cox wing of the party. "I tried to appoint a strong executive committee and I shall be guided largely by its judgment in the matter," said the chairman yesterday.

"I purposely put independent members on the committee, as I believe it is unwise to start four years ahead to pick a candidate for 1924."

There are anti-Cox men on the committee, notably Kremer of Montana, McLean of North Carolina and Cummings of Connecticut. It is believed, however, that on a showdown it would side with the chairman.

Mr. White said he had received a personal message from a member of the committee whose name was signed to the petition saying he had consented to the use of his name, but had distinctly stated he believed the time and place of the meeting should be left to the chairman. He believes there are many others among the signers who would not be willing to make an issue against him.

So far as he knew, Mr. White said, there was no precedent for getting the committee together other than on the call of the chair. He thinks only a small number of those signing the petition would go the length of backing an unauthorized meeting.

# WILSON REMAINS NEUTRAL IN ATTEMPT TO OUST WHITE

Tumulty Says President Has No Interest in Factional Row—Love Announces One More Supporter to Call for National Committee Meeting.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York, Feb. 8. (Feb. 8.)

President Wilson will remain neutral in the factional row now on in earnest to gain control of the Democratic National Committee. That was the announcement that came from the White House to-day through Secretary Tumulty, who said Mr. Wilson was taking no interest and would take none in the dispute.

This is said to be significant in view of the fact that the followers of Mr. Wilson's son-in-law, William G. McAdoo, are those who are jockeying for the control of the National Committee. It strengthened the opinion that Mr. McAdoo personally is not a party to the scheme, but that it is sponsored chiefly by the men who want him for the Democratic Presidential nominee in 1924, among them Thomas E. Love, the Democratic committeeman from Texas, and Robert W. Woolley, who is spoken of as the most likely possibility for chairman in case the scheme goes through.

# TAMPERING CHARGED IN JUDICIAL FIGHT

McGoldrick's Friends Assert They Have Found Gross Irregularities in Election.

Friends of former Justice Edward J. McGoldrick, at whose instance the ballots cast in the First Judicial district last fall, when he was defeated for the Supreme Court bench, are being examined, charged yesterday that the examination so far has disclosed gross irregularities, particularly in the Twenty-second Election district of the Fourth Assembly district, at the expense of Justice McGoldrick.

Adherents of Justice leader Wasservogel, Republican, who beat Justice McGoldrick for the ninth place on the bench, retailed with the charge that the seals on a large number of ballot boxes have been tampered with, and Albert Simon, representing the Republican County Committee, announced that he had requested the removal of an employee of the Board of Elections in that connection.

Mr. Simon said sixty ballot boxes have been discovered on which the seals have been broken, and that forty, coming to the Board of Elections office, where the examination is being held, from the Twenty-first Assembly district, arrived not only with seals broken but with ballots protruding from the openings. He said he will demand an immediate investigation.

Justice Wasservogel's plurality over Justice McGoldrick was 2,359. Friends of Justice McGoldrick declared yesterday that errors or irregularities in only five election districts have reduced the Wasservogel figures by 1,116. Justice

for the removal of Chairman George White.

It was announced by the insurgents in the party, led by Mr. Love, that another name had been added to those on the petition asking for a meeting of the National Committee to be held in St. Louis or some other centrally located city on March 1. The name was that of one of the women members, Miss Mary O. Graham of North Carolina. The total number is now 54. The full membership is 108.

Among prominent Democrats the feeling prevailed that the scheme for a reorganization had been blocked, for the present at least—that the McAdoo group had overplayed its hand, its members revealing that it was their purpose to seize the control of the committee for their own personal use. The result, it was said, had been to unite the McAdoo factions on a programme of retaining the present organization, figuring offices were better as they are than if some other Presidential possibility got full swing.

Wasservogel's supporters, on the other hand, contend that the examination actually has increased their man's lead by eighty-six votes, counting the which greatest irregularities are alleged Twenty-second Assembly District, in which the greatest irregularities are alleged by the McGoldrick adherents.

# FORMULATE FORDNEY TARIFF FEBRUARY 21

All Republican Members of Committee to Take Part.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The Republican majority of the House Ways and Means Committee has practically completed its programme for the writing of the new tariff bill, and tentative plans just formulated provide for the beginning of actual work on the proposed measure February 21.

Chairman Fordney, it is understood, will break away from precedent in the drafting of the next tariff by calling in all Republican members of the committee to participate in writing the bill. It has been the practice in the preparation of previous tariff bills to accomplish a large part of the work in subcommittees.

Minority members of the committee, three of whom will not be members of the next Congress, will be entirely on the outside in the drafting of this bill, as has been the custom in past years when tariff legislation was under consideration. They will be invited in, it was stated, only after the measure is ready to be printed and when a final vote is desired.

## ACCEPT BONUS CUT.

BATON ROUGE, Feb. 8.—Through the employees' representation conference the 4,000 employees of the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana, at the refinery here, to-day voted to accept a 10 per cent. bonus reduction after February 15.

# HARDING ABANDONS HOUSEBOAT JOURNEY

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water against wind and tide that eventually brought results, and just at nightfall the little launch charged out to the rescue. Mr. Harding and several others went to the Victoria intending to bring some baggage ashore and spend the night in Daytona, but they reversed their plans and when they came back it was to say goodbye to their companions.

Most of the party had grouped themselves on the steps of a long deserted cottage near the pier. Mr. Harding picked a deliberate way along the shaking pier in the gathering gloom. Although his footing gave way under him once or twice he completed the trip in safety, and just as Mosquito Lagoon began to demonstrate unmistakably why it was so named the party disbanded, sending the strains of "The End of a Perfect Day" and "Good Night, Ladies" floating out across the waters.

# HARDING AND EDGE WIN GOLF MATCH

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

OSPREY BEACH, Fla., Feb. 8.—Senator Harding showed 'em on the golf links this morning. If there had been any doubt whether the President-elect was a pretty fifty golfer and not merely a crackjack for pleasant reading purposes, he dispelled it on the Seabreeze course as completely as the hot sun did the morning fog.

In midsummer golfing attire, with Senator Edge as his partner, he battled eighteen holes against ex-Ambassador Fletcher and Dr. Albert Ely of New York, and Mr. Harding and partner won. Those who never had seen Mr. Harding play before learned a good deal

# LIPPINCOTT, BANKER, HAS SLEEPING SICKNESS

Atlantic City Man in Critical Condition.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 8.—George T. Lippincott, banker and one of the biggest property holders along the beach front, is a victim of sleeping sickness and is in a critical condition in the home of his brother-in-law, William H. Bartlett, former City Commissioner. He was brought here from Florida, where he had been cruising in his yacht until stricken by the malady just three weeks ago. His rugged health causes his physicians to believe they will pull him through, but it was learned to-night that he has not yet begun to give any indication of improvement.

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Out—No. 1, 290, 6; No. 2, 315, 5; No. 3, 290, 7; No. 4, 322, 4; No. 5, 400, 5; No. 6, 147, 4; No. 7, 336, 6; No. 8, 390, 7; No. 9, 349, 1; Total, 51.  
In—No. 10, 400, 5; No. 11, 321, 5; No. 12, 354, 6; No. 13, 385, 8; No. 14, 435, 6; No. 15, 245, 6; No. 16, 450, 6; No. 17, 339, 6; No. 18, 390, 6. Total, 50.

Some of Mr. Harding's tee shots were 200 yards and straight down the fairway. He never was far out of the proper course. His putting was noticeably good. He was better with the wood than with the irons, though an approach with a mashie from a bad sandy lie to the ninth green was a beauty and his approach to the eighteenth, where most of the gallery were, laid the ball dead to the pin.

"I must get this one," he exclaimed after the others had all run down puts and, bingo! he smacked it right in. Then folks from many States flocked around him, shook his hand and told him what a good President he was going to be or what a good golfer he was. An enterprising golf salesman from New York extended a box of balls to Mr. Harding with the earnest prayer that he try them.

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